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STATE FOR WHA/CEN, EB/IFD/OIA, AND L/CID STATE ALSO FOR WHA/EPSC STATE PASS TO USTR TREASURY FOR INL AND OWH

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SUBJECT: NICARAGUA: AMCIT PROPERTY CLAIMS MONTHLY UPDATE: OCTOBER 2008

## SUMMARY

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11. In October 2008, the Government of Nicaragua (GON) resolved four Embassy registered property claims, including one under the control of the National Police. The Embassy's database now consists of 617 unresolved registered property claims belonging to 294 Amcits. To date, the overwhelming majority of resolutions have involved compensation via government-issued indemnification bonds ("bonos de pago de indemnizacion" or BPIs). As of October 31, 2008, the GON had issued BPIs with a face value of \$334,078,811.76 to Embassy-registered claimants. Since taking office in January 2007, the Ortega administration has resolved 56 claims, nine during the 2008-2009 waiver year.

## EMBASSY REGISTERED CLAIMS RESOLVED IN OCTOBER

12. On October 6, 2008, Attorney General Hernan Estrada provided the Embassy a copy of the final settlement document or "finiquito" signed on August, 25, 2008, by U.S. citizen Roberto Perez-Rios. Mr. Perez-Rios received BPIs worth 134,700 cordobas, approximately \$6,845.59. We have updated our database to reflect this settlement. Mr. Perez-Rios' property was under the control of the National Police in the city of Masaya. This is the first Section 527 claim that the GON has resolved that was under its control during the 2008-09 waiver year.

Type of No. of Type of Claimant Claim Claims Resolution

Roberto Perez-Rios Lot 1 bonds

13. On October 23, 2008, the legal representative of U.S. claimant Perla Ordonez provided the Embassy a copy of the finiquito signed on October 3, 2008. Mrs. Ordonez received BPIs worth 1,293,100 cordobas, approximately \$65,716.65, to settle two claims. We have updated our database to reflect this settlement.

Type of No. of Type of Claimant Claim Claims Resolution

Perla Ordonez Lots 2 bonds

14. On October 28, 2008, U.S. claimant Daniza Robleto provided the Embassy a copy of the finiquito she signed on October 3, 2008. Ms. Robleto received BPIs worth 604,700 cordobas, approximately \$30,731.46. We have updated our database to reflect this settlement.

Type of No. of Type of Claimant Claim Claims Resolution

Daniza Robleto House 1 bonds

## STATUS OF AMCIT PROPERTY AS OF 10/31/08

 $\underline{\P}5$ . The following is a snapshot of current U.S. citizen property claims. The Embassy maintains separate databases for claims registered before and after the July 31, 2005, deadline in the Consolidated Appropriations Act.

EMBASSY-REGISTERED CLAIMS	NUMBER
Total Amcits with pending claims	294
Total Amcit claims pending resolution	617
EMBASSY-REGISTERED CLAIMS BY CALENDAR YEAR NUMBER	
Claims resolved calendar year 2008	46
Claims resolved calendar year 2007	10
Claims resolved calendar year 2006	81
Claims resolved calendar year 2005	126
Claims resolved calendar year 2004	218
Claims resolved calendar year 2003	243
Claims resolved calendar year 2002	125
Claims resolved calendar year 2001	175
Claims resolved calendar year 2000	70
EMBASSY-REGISTERED CLAIMS RESOLVED BY WAIVER YEAR	NUMBER
Registered claims resolved so far in 2008-09 (waiver year: July 29, 2008 - July 29, 2009)	9
Registered claims resolved 2007-08 waiver year	42
Registered claims resolved 2006-07 waiver year	34
Registered claims resolved 2005-06 waiver year	86
Registered claims resolved 2004-05 waiver year	187
Registered claims resolved 2003-04 waiver year	214
Registered claims resolved 2002-03 waiver year	183
Registered claims resolved 2001-02 waiver year	160
Registered claims resolved 2000-01 waiver year	142
Registered claims resolved 1999-00 waiver year	77
Registered claims resolved 1998-99 waiver year	156
Registered claims resolved 1997-98 waiver year	204
Registered claims resolved 1996-97 waiver year	145
EMBASSY-REGISTERED CLAIMS UNDER GON CONTROL NUMBER	₹

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GON-held claims resolved 2008-09 waiver year	1
GON-held claims resolved 2007-08 waiver year	1
GON-held claims resolved 2006-07 waiver year	0
GON-held claims resolved 2005-06 waiver year	3
GON-held claims resolved 2004-05 waiver year	16
GON-held claims resolved 2003-04 waiver year	12
GON-held claims resolved 2002-03 waiver year	11
GON-held claims resolved 2001-02 waiver year	26
GON-held claims resolved 2000-01 waiver year	2
GON-held claims resolved 1999-00 waiver year	2
GON-held claims resolved 1998-99 waiver year	5
GON-held claims resolved 1997-98 waiver year	29
GON-held claims resolved (total)	177
CLAIMS DISMISSED BY GON DURING THE 2007-08 WAIVER	YEAR NUMBER
MARCH 2008	73
FEBRUARY 2008	21
JANUARY 2008	34
NOVEMBER 2007	18
	NUMBER
DECISION AGAINST U.S. CLAIMANT IN COURT	9
(CLAIM WITHDRAWN BY AMCIT)	
CLAIMS WITHDRAWN BY AMCITS (PROPERTY UNDER AMCIT CONTROL)	1
CLAIMS WITHDRAWN BY AMCITS FOR 1 LACK OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS	
TOTAL CLAIMS RESOLVED BY LAND SWAPS	6
TOTAL CLAIMS COMPENSATED VIA BONDS (face value of bonds \$334.07 million)	1,901
NON-REGISTERED RESOLUTIONS BY WAIVER YEAR NUMBER	
Non-registered resolutions 2008-09 waiver year	0
Non-registered resolutions 2007-08 waiver year	6
Non-registered resolutions 2006-07 waiver year	12
Non-registered resolutions 2005-06 waiver year	30
Non-registered resolutions 2004-05 waiver year	0
Non-registered resolutions 2003-04 waiver year	6
Non-registered resolutions 2002-03 waiver year	22
Non-registered resolutions 2001-02 waiver year	93

Non-registered resolutions 2000-01 waiver year	300	
Non-registered resolutions 1999-00 waiver year	455	
Non-registered resolutions 1998-99 waiver year	310	
Non-registered resolutions 1997-98 waiver year	230	
Non-registered resolutions 1996-97 waiver year	208	
NON-WAIVER CLAIMS REGISTERED AFTER JULY 31, 2005 NUMBER		
Total Amcit claimants registered with Embassy	16	
Total Amcit claims pending resolution	22	
NON-WAIVER CLAIMS RESOLVED BY CALENDAR YEAR NUMBER		
Claims resolved in calendar year 2008	1	
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